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For: PROCESSED FAT COMPOSITION FOR
PREVENTING/AMELIORATING
LIFESTYLE-RELATED DISEASE

Examiner: N. G. Ebrahim

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Madam:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits as far as is known to the undersigned (37 CFR 1.97(b)(3)).

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(ii), Applicant has not submitted copies of U.S. patents and U.S. patent applications. Applicant submits herewith copies of foreign patents in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2).

A copy of only those references listed below is attached:

For. Doc No.	Ctry	Patentee/Applicant	Publication Date
2003/037316	WO	Kanegafuchi Chemical Ind Co Ltd	May 8, 2003
02-204417	JP	Maruzen Kasei Co Ltd	August 14, 1990
2000-239176	JP	Nippon Surfactant Kogyo KK Maruzen Pharmaceut Co Ltd	September 5, 2000
2003-274856	JP	Kanegafuchi Chemical Ind Co Ltd	February 15, 1979
2794433	JP	Maruzen Kasei Co Ltd	September 3, 1998

The relevance of Citations BA-BD can be found in the International Search Report (ISR) of the PCT application and in their attached English language abstracts. The relevance of Citation BA can also be found in Citation AA, which is a US national phase of Citation BA. Citation AB is a US national phase of WO2002/047699, cited in the International Search Report (ISR) of the PCT application and in an IDS in this application. The relevance of Citation BE can be found in its attached English language abstract and is mentioned in the BACKGROUND ART” of the description. The relevance of Citations BC and BD also can be found in their attached machine English language translations. The relevance of Citation BB also can be found in an attached Partial English language translation. A full translation of Citation BB will be prepared on the Examiner’s request.

Please note that Citations BB-BD have already been submitted in an IDS in this application with their English language translations.

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It is submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 and the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the listed references.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 21581-00479-US.

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